

I am EXTREMELY concerned about the effects that would occur if further media consolidation were to be allowed. Currently, in the Binghamton New York area, we have one company (Clear Channel) that controls 2 television stations and 5 or six radio stations. Another company (AOL Time Warner) Controls most of the dail up and high speed internet access, the cable access for the area and many of the channels (TNN, TBS, CNN) on cable. given this, your organization is considering allowing MORE concentration of assests. The possibility that broadcasters could own newspapers could lead to a situation were four companies could control ALL(cable,broadcast,internet, newspaper and satelite) of the media access to our area This can not be a good thing and it certainly is not competition.

I urge you to reconsider loosening the rules on ownership.

Thank You

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